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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Hammerman, et al.

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For: COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR IMPROVING FUNCTION OF EMBRYONIC KIDNEY TRANSPLANTS

Group No. 1654

Examiner: A. Gupta

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is being submitted in response to the final Office Action mailed June 30, 2003. This response is submitted within the three month statutory period, making this a timely response.

Also included with this response is a terminal disclaimer and the required fee under 37 CFR §1.20(d).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fees, including extension fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Our Order No. 467084-0038 [A-68752/RFT/RMK/THR]).

Please consider the remarks made herein in response to the rejections in the office action. Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.